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City may absorb cuts

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

The City of West Sacramento may not fare too badly from Governor Schwarzenegger's proposed budget cuts, although City Manager Toby Ross admits "disappointment" that the new governor is "shifting" any money away from local governments at all.

"It's a bit of a surprise, after they said they wouldn't hold local governments responsible for the state budget at all, that they came up with this," said Ross. "We have an estimate of what the impact will be. There's still uncertainty because at this point, it's still just the governor's proposed budget."

That budget must still make its way through the state legislature before adoption.

Ross said that it looks like the state will take away $1.5 million through cuts to vehicle license fees, and then "backfill" some of that money with other state funds. The city will be left with a net loss of about $200,000 per year.

The "hit" will affect specifically the city's general fund, which pays for police and fire services, parks services and the city manager's own office. But in the big picture, said Ross, $200,000 isn't a huge number. And the loss won't be felt until the next fiscal year, which begins in July.

"It could have been worse," he commented. "$200,000 represents about two to two-and-a-half (personnel) positions, but we're hoping to see some expansion in our sales tax and property tax revenues, so we'll see. It's a $200,000 hit in a $71 million budget."

The $71 million figure includes all of the city's budget funds, including redevelopment revenue and the city's specific-use "enterprise" funds.

Borrow a toy, earn a smile

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

Check out these toys.

Really – check them out, like you would a library book, and take them home.

The West Sacramento Parks & Community Services Department now has a "toy library" on hand at city hall. Local families can sign up to use the library for a $10 fee, visit the library, play with some toys and take them home for a spin.

"We've already had several families come in," said Connie Leek, a recreation supervisor with the parks department. "One mother puts the baby on the floor and sits on the floor with the toys. What the child plays with is what she borrows."

Leek said the toys are specially chosen, purchased with $5,000 (and more to come) from the Child Care Services Resources & Referral agency.

"The toys are specially picked to be educational," Leek stated. "We have toys for infants and toddlers, and some emphasize muscle skills. Some toys emphasize dramatic play, some motor skills, we have some games, 'manipulatives' and a whole toddler section as well."

Families may obtain a "toy library" membership card by filling out the card and paying the $10 fee at the city parks and community services department, 1110 West Capitol Avenue. Once enrolled, a member can check out up to five items for up to two weeks. For more information, call 617-4620.



Six-year old Brittany, daughter of West Sacramento resident and city parks department staff member Connie Leek, shows how to use the department's new toy library

Trees as a city asset

■ Changes to city ordinance would expand protection of large trees, native oaks in West Sacramento

By Steve Marschke
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The West Sacramento City Council tonight will look at changes to the city's tree ordinance, including the inclusion of more trees in a protected category. The changes would require special circumstances to remove somewhat smaller trees than were previously protected.

According to a city staff report, any "heritage tree" (native oak with a trunk circumference over 100 inches) or "significant tree" (of any species, with a circumference over 100 inches) couldn't be damaged or removed without a city permit under the current ordinance.

The council will decide whether to include smaller trees – native oaks over 50 inches around the trunk, or trees of any species over 75 inches around. Such trees could only be removed through a city permit process, for reasons including necessity for development plans or disease.

Changes to the ordinance also address how replacement of these trees must be accomplished, mandating that one inch in diameter of replacement trees be planted for every inch in diameter of the tree removed. Younger trees would still be favored for replanting, because of their better survival rate when planted.

Trees which are diseased with a parasite, or which pose a danger do not require a permit to be removed and don't require replacement.

The council meets in open session at 7 p.m. at the civic center, 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

Second try for new library funds

The West Sacramento City Council will be asked tonight to approve a cooperative agreement with the County of Yolo and with the city's school district tonight, as all parties pursue state funds to help build a new local library.

The county is seeking $7 million in state funds for the $11 million project, slated for a site donated by the city next to the current library near Merkley Avenue and West Capitol Avenue. A 2003 application failed to win funding, with insiders saying that the "cooperative" aspect of the application involving school district uses of the new library was not strong enough.

The new application is due by Friday.

In the new agreement, Washington Unified School District agrees to provide a school district librarian at the branch for 20 hours per week, an "English as a Second Language" teacher on site for 15 hours per week, a tutoring teacher for 15 hours per week, a parenting teacher for three hours a week and a technology support staff member for at least a half hour per day.

The district also pledges $20,000 to contract for extension of the Family Literacy Program ito the new branch.

The new commitments from the district will make the grant application for construction funds "much stronger than it was previously," according to a staff report from Assistant City manager Carol B. Richardson.

Proposal would make Park Blvd. two lanes

Traffic safety improvements for Park Blvd. could feature conversion of the four-lane roadway into two lanes, with added bike lanes, parking and a center turn lane, if the city council approves a staff recommendation tonight. The changes could also bring a "roundabout" intersection at 16th Street/Fallbrook Street at Park Boulevard.

Many residents on the street complain of speeding – which seems to be invited by the boulevard's wide-open architecture.

The council will consider acting on the changes, or alternatives, at its 7 p.m. meeting tonight.

Next step in reviving West Capitol Avenue?

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

West Sacramento hopes to move a step closer to redevelopment of its beleaguered thoroughfare, West Capitol Avenue, by hiring a consultant to help strategize implementation of new land uses.

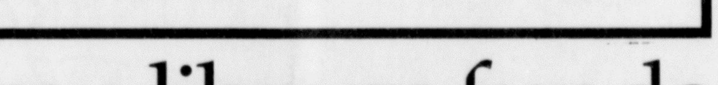
A "request for proposals" from consultants is out, said redevelopment director Val Toppenberg last week. The city will probably choose a consultant within the next couple of months, he added.

"The process is to identify and come up with solutions relative to the development, particularly of residential, along West Capitol Avenue," he said. "The overall strategy continues to be mixed-use along West Capitol with the focus on retail at the intersections with Harbor and Jefferson."

Would the "mixed use" strips include alternating residential construction and commercial construction? Or would it feature multi-story buildings with residences above and commerce below?

"The model we like and that seems to work is a 'West Capitol Courtyards' model," said Toppenberg, citing the housing project east of Jefferson which also houses a Togo's sandwich shop and other business uses. "At that project, where Togo's is, we have commercial on the ground floor and residences above and behind."

The West Capitol strip faded from glory after the freeway and its bridge were built decades ago, replacing West Capitol as part of the main route from San Francisco to Lake Tahoe and points east. Many of the avenue's motels saw economic hardship when the tourist traffic went away. Among them was the former El Rancho Hotel near Merkley and West Capitol – formerly a haven for the jet set and now a Buddhist monastery.



One step in the attempt to revitalize West Capitol Avenue was the city's decision to build its new civic center (shown above under construction in 2002) on West Capitol.

Other West Capitol motels have been criticized in recent years for catering to unlawful "nuisance" clientele such as drug dealers or prostitutes.

The city adopted a new land use plan in 1991 – but that plan is more of a "guideline" than a specific map for new West Capitol Avenue land uses.

"It's a set of guidelines, and it is kind of helpful as a reference document," said Toppenberg. "It's not an adopted 'specific plan' like we have for the Triangle Area (along the riverfront) or the Washington Specific Plan (in the city's northeast)."

"We're going to be revisiting West Capitol Avenue and trying to determine what can be done in general," Toppenberg added. "West Capitol is a very long street, but you've got to start somewhere. I think the focus so far has been in the central business district, in the area near Rite Aid and Walgreen. Ultimately, we want to take on a secondary area, like Harbor, but we're not there yet."

Politics: always a nasty business in America

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

Here at the *News-Ledger* we are always receiving emails, faxes, and even hand-mailed press releases from the major political parties and their candidates/office holders detailing all the wonderful things they have done lately. We also hear regularly from many of their most rabid supporters, and some of the stuff that crosses my desk can get pretty nasty. For instance, I recently received the following George W. Bush "resume" (which has been edited for length):

"I was arrested in Kennebunkport, Maine, in 1976 for driving under the influence of alcohol. I pled guilty, paid a fine, and had my driver's license suspended for 30 days. My Texas driving record has been 'lost' and is not available. I joined the Texas Air National Guard and went AWOL. By joining, I was able to avoid combat duty in Vietnam. I graduated from Yale University with a low C average. I was a cheerleader. I ran for Congress and lost. I began my career in the oil business in Midland, Texas, in 1975. I bought an oil company and it went bankrupt shortly after I sold all my stock. I bought the Texas Rangers baseball team in a sweetheart deal that took land using taxpayer money. With the help of my father and friends in the oil industry (including Enron CEO Ken Lay), I was elected governor of Texas. As governor, I changed the pollution laws to favor power and oil companies, making Texas the most polluted state in the Union. I cut taxes and bankrupted the Texas treasury to the tune of billions in borrowed money. I set a record for the most executions by any governor in American history. With the help of my brother, the governor of Florida, and my father's appointments to the Supreme Court, I became President after losing by over 500,000 votes. As president, I invaded and occupied two countries at a continuing cost of over one billion dollars per week, spent all the U.S. surplus, and shattered the record for the largest annual deficit in the country's history. I have lied about our reasons for attacking Iraq, set an all-time record for the most people worldwide to ever simultaneously protest an American president, and made America the most hated nation in the world. I would appreciate your vote in 2004."

In years past (especially at the height of the Monica Lewinsky scandal), I received even nastier stuff than the above regarding the fitness of Bill Clinton to be President of the United States, and like many people, I have often wondered what in the world gets into people that would make them take the time and make the effort to pen such vicious political literature, and I have often asked myself, will it ever stop (or at least get better)?

Then, with the help of a book entitled "Founding Brothers" by Joseph J. Ellis (which my youngest son got me for Christmas), I was reminded that when it comes to American politics, it has (and always will be) a very loud shouting match between often ruthless adversaries who see the world very differently.

From the day our Founding Fathers pulled off their "Miracle in Philadelphia" to the present, America has always been a messy political work in progress. In fact, Ellis argues that our politicians have been essentially fighting the same battles over and over again, although they have called themselves by different names from time to time. But whether it's been the Jeffersonians vs. the Hamiltonians, or States Rights believers vs. Unionists, or Democrats vs. Republicans, or liberals vs. conservatives, true believers have never shied away from the lowest means imaginable to win the political day, and we should not be too terribly surprised or saddened when they continue to do so.

And for those who believe that politics has never been nastier than it is today and that it has now reached a point where it is destroying the average citizen's urge to participate, Ellis reminds us that today's rhetoric is nothing compared to that which was unleashed in the earliest days of our country.

"Historians have labeled the 1790s 'The Age of Passion' for good reason," writes Ellis, "for in terms of shrill accusatory rhetoric, flamboyant displays of ideological intransigence, intense personal rivalries, and hyperbolic claims of imminent catastrophe, it has no equal in American history."

Our Founding Fathers certainly didn't shy away from making things personal, either. For instance, John Adams despised Alexander Hamilton and often referred to him as "the bastard brat of a Scotch peddlar"; Tom Paine, who was known to pray for George Washington's death, celebrated the father of our country's departure from the American political scene by writing, "The world will be puzzled to decide whether you are an apostate or an impostor, whether you have abandoned good principles, or whether you ever had any"; Thomas Jefferson secretly hired a poison-pen writer to publish any dirt he could find on John Adams, only to later discover that same writer penning newspaper articles paid for by his political enemies claiming Jefferson had a black mistress; and Alexander Hamilton's well-known view that he considered Aaron Burr to be "unprincipled and despicable" eventually led to a duel between the two which left Hamilton mortally wounded on a New Jersey field of honor.

So why has all this nasty political bickering continued on down through the ages? The answer turns out to be quite simple -- because the stakes are so very high. America, with all its imperfections and contradictions, has always been a highly problematic project. Men freely governing themselves is not and never will be a stroll in the park. Plus whether we want to admit it or not, liberals and conservatives both have a legitimate claim on our political truth and "speak for the deepest impulses of the American Revolution."

So, with the next presidential election getting closer all the time, whether we like it or not, the political verbiage is only going to get nastier. And when it reaches the point -- as it always does -- when I can't stand to view one more political ad or listen to one more candidate debate, I will simply force myself to recall the following words of Frederick Douglass: "Those who profess to freedom, yet deprecate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing, rain without thunder and lightning, and the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters."

Obituaries

Betty Mae Binns

Betty Binns was born on May 9, 1913 in Plumtree, North Carolina, and passed away in Sacramento on December 17, 2003. She was employed as a clerk with PG&E and was a ten-year resident of Yolo County. She is survived by her nephew, James T. Watson of Virginia. Her cremains will be scattered at sea near Golden Gate Bridge per her request.

Juan Peralta Garcia

Juan Garcia was born in Arizona on June 4, 1940 and died in West Sacramento on December 27, 2003. He was a laborer by trade and homeless at the time of his death. He was buried in the Woodland Cemetery.

Dean Edward Sutton

Dean Sutton was born on September 11, 1949 in Berlington, Vermont, and died in Sacramento on December 27, 2003. He was a handyman by trade and a 50-year resident of Yolo County. He was predeceased by his mother and brother and buried in the Woodland Cemetery.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is a truffle?
2. ENTERTAINERS: In 1957, which rock 'n' roll sensation quit show business for a few years to become a minister?
3. NATURAL WORLD: What is the largest lizard in the world today?
4. HISTORY: Who was king of England during the American Revolution?
5. MOVIES: When was the film "Singin' in the Rain" first released?
6. DISCOVERIES: Which Western explorer introduced the potato to Europe?
7. LITERATURE: Who published "She's Come Undone" in 1992?
8. GEOGRAPHY: About how many miles long is the Suez Canal?
9. MUSIC: How many strings are on a standard violin?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the literal meaning of "Genghis Khan"?

Answers

1. A type of fungus
2. Little Richard
3. Komodo Dragon
4. George III
5. 1952
6. Walter Raleigh
7. Wally Lamb
8. 100 miles
9. Four strings
10. Ruler of All

Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On **Jan. 23, 1849,** Elizabeth Blackwell is granted a medical degree from Geneva College in New York, becoming the first female in U.S. history to be officially recognized as a physician.

• On **Jan. 22, 1905,** in Russia, the revolution of 1905 begins when czarist troops open fire on a peaceful group of workers marching to the Winter Palace in St. Petersburg to petition their grievances to Czar Nicholas II. Some 500 protestors were massacred on "Bloody Sunday," setting off months of protest and disorder throughout Russia.

• On **Jan. 20, 1945,** Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the only president to be elected to three terms in office, is inaugurated to his fourth term.

• On **Jan 25, 1960,** the National Association of Broadcasters proposes that disc jockeys accepting payment from record labels for broadcasting particular songs be charged a $500 fine and spend a year in prison. The practice was known as "payola."

• On **Jan. 21, 1976,** the first Concordes with commercial passengers simultaneously take flight from London's Heathrow Airport and Orly Airport outside Paris. At their cruising speeds, the innovative Concordes flew well over the sound barrier at 1,350 miles an hour, cutting air travel time by more than half.

• On **Jan. 19, 1983,** Klaus Barbie, the Nazi Gestapo chief of Lyons, France, during the German occupation, is arrested in Bolivia for his crimes against humanity four decades earlier. He was sentenced to spend the rest of his life in prison, France's highest punishment.

• On **Jan. 24, 1986,** director Vincente Minnelli, father of Liza Minnelli, dies at age 83. He directed such classic films as "An American in Paris," "Father of the Bride" and "Meet Me in St. Louis," starring Judy Garland, whom he married in 1945.

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—H.L. Mencken

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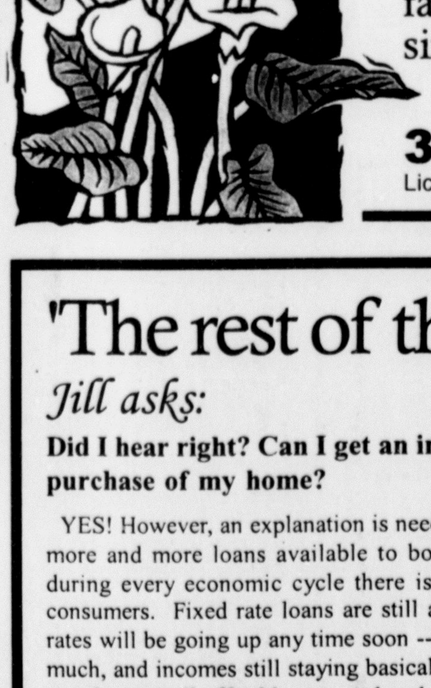
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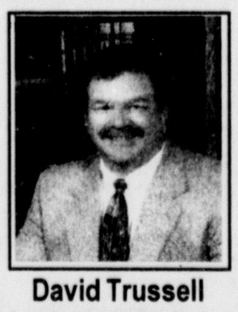
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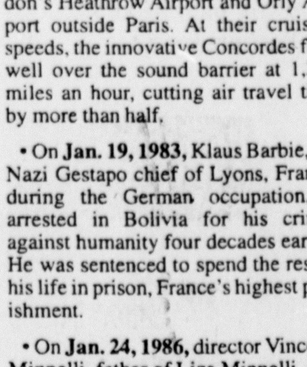
YES! However, an explanation is needed. First, let me say that there are more and more loans available to borrowers these days. It seems that during every economic cycle there is a "New and Improved" loan for consumers. Fixed rate loans are still at a 30-year low, and there are limited factors to suggest that rates will be going up any time soon -- or down, for that matter. But with home values increasing so much, and incomes still staying basically the same, the lending world had to find a vehicle by which people can still afford homes and make their payments, too. Remember: the lower the interest rate, the more buying power you have with the same payment.

It is important to remember that other than a true "fixed" rate loan, almost all other types of loans are a variation of an adjustable rate mortgage (ARM). They may come in the form of a fixed option for a period of years; which then becomes adjustable. They could come in the form of an "options" type of loan, whereby you have the option to make a minimum payment, a 30- or 15-year payment, or even an interest-only payment.

These types of loan are the new "fad" in the lending arena, but there needs to be some examination first. Interest-only loans are just that, but what is the interest? Is it a fixed rate, or an adjustable interest rate? What is the term? Is there any sort of prepayment penalty clause? There are also some other factors that you must consider: with an interest-only mortgage, there will never be any principle reduction, unless you make additional payments. Also with lower interest rates, there will be less tax deductions at the end of the year. So before you jump into this new "Fad" of loans, let's look carefully and together we can mold a loan around your specific needs.

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SPORTS

SPORTS INSIDER

By Richard Novoa

NFL Conference Championship

The road to the Super Bowl XXXVIII last stops will be in Philadelphia for the NFC teams and in the AFC the cold city of Boston will be the last chance for gas. In the AFC the New England Patriots managed to hold on to beat beaten up the Tennessee Titan team and squeak out a 17-14 victory in one the coldest playoffs games in NFL history. The temperature at game time was 2 degrees but the Patriots defense held McNair in check and the margin of victory was another Adam Vinatieri frozen field goal.

On Sunday in Kansas City the Chiefs were having difficulty corralling Peyton Manning and the Colts in their 38-31 loss. Manning was almost perfect in passing statistics and it was Colts second playoff game in row that their punter wasn't used. The Chiefs never used their punter either but their dropped passes, penalties, and a huge fumble by Priest Holmes spelled out the margin of victory for the Colts.

This week in the AFC Conference Championship game the home field advantage will favor New England (-3 ½) over Indy. I like what coach Tony Dungy has going on both sides of the ball. The Colts have a great quarterback, excellent receivers and a solid running game but the key to the game will be the teams place kickers.

Colts 28 - Patriots 21

In the NFC the upset of the week was Carolina's 29-23 double overtime win over the shell shocked St. Louis Rams. The Rams played not to lose the game while the Panthers played like wild animals and won the rights to advance to the Conference finals. In the other playoff game in Philadelphia the Eagles and Donavan McNabb held off the Packers and Brett Favre's magic to advance to the Conference final for the third straight year. McNabb passed for 242 yards but most importantly is set an NFL quarterback rushing record with 107 yards. McNabb was brilliant in leading the Eagles offense but the play of the game was his fourth down play in the closing minutes of the game that sealed the victory. The Packers defense fell asleep on the play of the game and allowed McNabb to complete the 27-yard pass that closed the Packers season.

In the NFC Championship game I believe the Eagles (-5 ½) will beat the Panthers at home and finally make it to the promise land. Eagles 24-Panthers 13

Super Bowl XXXVIII - Philadelphia vs. Indianapolis

Kings Korner

While the Sacramento Kings (26-9) await the return of C-Webb they continue to play great basketball and have now extended their Pacific Division lead to three games over the Los Angeles Lakers (22-11). The big showdown with the Lakers is set for Friday night (7:30 – ESPN or ch.10) in the friendly confines of the Arco Arena.

The Kings are healthy but the Lakers are in a tailspin with injuries to Karl Malone, Shaq, and Fox and to make matters worst on Monday night Kobe juried his right shoulder. It's time to see what kind of bench strength the Lakers have on their roster. The Shaq and Kobe show will on a day-to-day evaluation to see if they lace up the shoes.

The Kings will be at home on Tuesday night against Miami before the big showdown with Los Angeles so sit back and enjoy the game on Friday night!

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Sports QUIZ
by Chris Richcreek

1. Who holds the National League record for most consecutive seasons of 100 or more RBIs?
2. Vladimir Guerrero is the all-time home-run leader for the Montreal Expos with 234. Who is No. 2?
3. Name the only college football player to win the Butkus Award (top linebacker) twice.
4. Who was the first player to win championships in basketball in high school, college, the Olympics and the NBA?
5. Gordie Howe holds the NHL record for most NHL seasons played with 26. Who is No. 2?
6. Who was the other goaltender along with Jim Craig for the 1980 U.S. men's Olympic hockey team?
7. Name the PGA golfer who won the Tucson Open three consecutive years — 1974-76.

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Raiders dominate Dixon

By Troy Turner

The River City Raiders began the 2004 basketball regular season with a win as they dominated the Dixon Rams in front of a packed house. The Raiders want to show the rest of the league that they are a serious contender to win the title this year. In attendance was the coach from the rival Foothill Mustangs, the team who won the state title last season. The Raiders and the Mustangs will meet later in the season.

As of January 8th, River City has the #1 rated defense in the Sacramento Valley in regards to team steals, and during the first period of the Dixon game, the Raiders pressured the Rams and caused numerous turnovers as they jumped out to a 19-6 lead. During the second period, River City showed no mercy and outscored their opponents 21-9 to take a 40-15 lead at halftime.

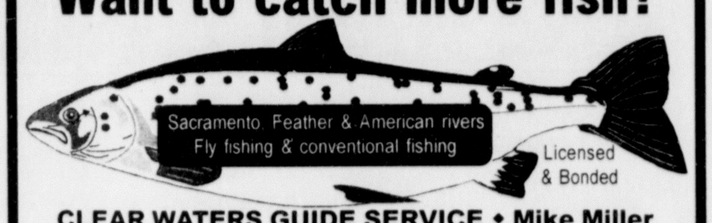
Aaron Garner, Zeddie Barger, Andrew Arreola, and Cameron Hughes combined to score 33 of the team's first half points.

During the second half, River City continued to apply pressure, never letting the Rams get back into the game. The Raiders came away with the easy victory, 70-42.

Zeddie Barger and Aaron Garner led the team with 13 points each. Andrew Arreola added 10 points, and Cameron Hughes, Clayton Jones and Sou Saetern had 7 points each.

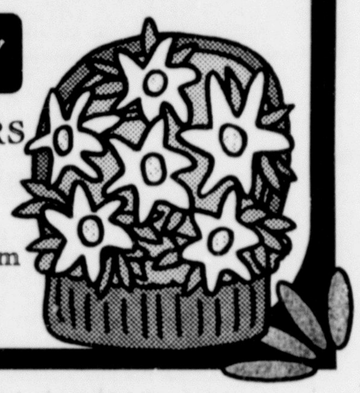
The Raiders traveled to Fairfield to take on the Vanden Vikings yesterday and will host the Rio Linda Knights on 1/15. If you want to see statistics of the team or your favorite player, log onto www.maxpreps.com.

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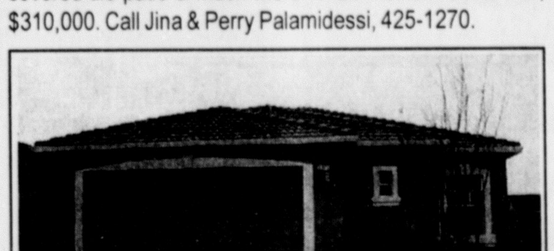
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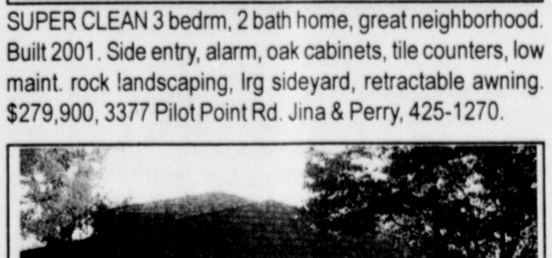
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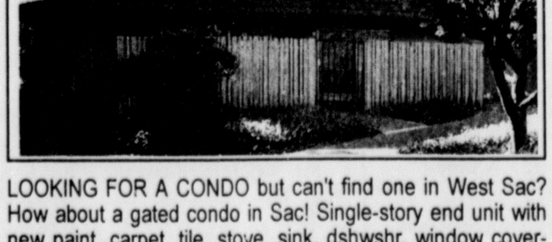
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Oars(wo)men



West Sacramento members of the River City Rowing Club's high school squad: Michael Starkey, Elijah Dove, Chad Merva, Samantha Sieri, Karen Russo, Soloman Dove, and Cal Salzman.

From Ron Beals
River City Rowing Club

Nine West Sacramento youths are among the athletes gearing up for the spring racing season with The River City Rowing Club's regional high school rowing team.

Returning "varsity" club members from West Sacramento are Soloman Dove, Cal Salzman, Lenore Meehan, Karen Russo and Michael Starkey. They are joined by first-year rowers Elijah Dove, Andrew Merva, Katya Klimushkin and Samantha Cieri, also of West Sacramento.

The River City Rowing Club shares the Port of Sacramento as a rowing venue with the UC Davis rowing team, or "crew."

"There isn't another town in California that has a rowing facility located as conveniently for its rowers as the port is for West Sacramentans," said RCRC women's novice coach Sarah Doucette. "We have kids driving 80 miles, round-trip, to practice with us, so we really hope more local kids will come give us a try."

RCRC competes against 14 other teams, mostly from the Bay Area. Eight regattas are scheduled between March and May. The club has a "no cut, everyone rows" philosophy.

The team invites new rowers for the spring racing season. Contact men's novice coach Colleen O'Neil at (530) 758-5014, or women's novice coach Sarah Doucette, (916) 799-0221.

Cooking *with* Angels

Church cookbook provides good recipes for a good cause

Over 120 delicious recipes have gone into the creation of *Cooking With Angels,* which has recently been published by West Sacramento's Trinity Presbyterian Church. The recipes come from church and community members and may be purchased by calling Robin Winkelman at 371-8873. You will not only be treating yourself with a tasty dish but you will also be helping to support after school programs for elementary age children.

Below are just two examples of the culinary treasures you will find in *Cooking With Angels:*



Carol's tacos

Carol (Ruiz) Smith has been a resident of West Sacramento since 1948 and is a former leader of such organizations as the River City Boosters Club and the Little Skipper Auxiliary.

Have prepared in appropriate bowls at the table the following: cooked ground round, diced tomatoes, thin shredded lettuce, diced avocado, sliced olives, onion, mild cheddar and Monterey Jack cheese, and Parmesan cheese.

In hot oil in large frying pan, lay one corn tortilla. Lightly brown it. Turn it over and on one side place a slice of yellow cheese and a slice of white cheese. Fold over. Let cheese melt as tortilla browns. Move to one side of the frying pan and start your next flat tortilla. As you take out the finished tacos, get them to the table where other condiments are waiting. Each person assembles his or her own taco.

I seldom serve anything else with them, but one could have a bowl of hot Rosarita Refried Beans on the table, too.

Robin's frozen cream fruit salad

Robin Winkelman has been a resident of West Sacramento for over 59 years and enjoys senior citizen trips and activities. She has served as a deacon at Trinity Presbyterian Church and is the editor of the Cooking With Angels Cookbook.

In a large bowl combine cream cheese, yogurt, mayonnaise, sugar, lemon juices and salt. Beat together until smooth. Fold in fruits until well distributed. Pour into 6-cup ring mold that has been rinsed in cold water. Cover and freeze at least 6 hours. Unmold onto serving dish about 1 hour before serving. Serves 12 to 16.

You will need the following ingredients: 1-8 oz soft cream cheese, 1-8 oz Pina Colada yogurt, 1/2 cup mayonnaise or Miracle Whip, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 T lemon juice, 1/4 tsp. salt, 1-11 oz can mandarin oranges (drained), 1-8 oz can crushed pineapple (drained), 1 8 3/4 oz can peaches (drained and cut into cubes, 1/2 cup chopped pecans, 1/4 cup chopped maraschino cherries, 1 banana (peeled and sliced), 1 cup green grapes (halved), 1 cup red grapes (halved).



Strange BUT TRUE

By Samantha Weaver



• It may seem a little strange that one of the most famous directors of all time, Steven Spielberg, was an English major in college. He actually wanted to study film, but the film school at the University of Southern California rejected his application.

• The world's first traffic signal was in England, and it was put up surprisingly early — in 1868.

• If it has seeds, it's a fruit. This includes cucumbers, tomatoes, squash and okra.

• Civil War combat photojournalists moved bodies around to compose more dramatic shots. They even staged some pictures using live soldiers lying sprawled on the ground.

• Sailboats go faster sailing across the wind line than they do sailing downwind.

• Bin Laden Aviation in San Antonio was started by Salem bin Laden — Osama's brother — who often traveled to Texas on family business.

• The number of American coal miners who have died in mining accidents is greater than the number of American soldiers who died in all of World War II.

• If you could gather all the world's population into a single room, roughly every third person would speak some form of Chinese.

• Professional truckers drove over 200 billion miles last year.

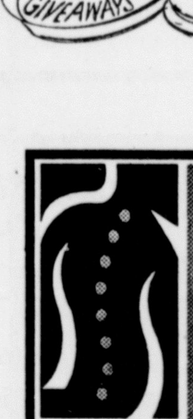
• Many think of the Pilgrims and the founding fathers as being members of the same generation. But the Mayflower landed in 1620, and the Declaration of Independence was not signed until 1776, 156 years later. If you consider a generation to be 20 years, that's almost eight generations later. To put it another way, that's like the difference between this year (2004) and the year 1848!

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Thought for the Day: "It is dangerous to be right when the government is wrong." — *Voltaire*

News-Ledger Directory *of* Local Places *of* Worship

Anna Street Baptist Church Rev. Norman Pollitt, 371-6560 1400 Anna St., W. Sac. Sunday School 10am Sunday Worship 11am Prayer Time 6:30 p.m. http://www.forministry.com/95605ASBC	**Community Lutheran Church** Rev. Marjorie C. Beach, Pastor 920 Drever St., 371-8804 10am Worship/Sun. School Friendly, family, inclusive language. The 'come as you are' church.	**Seventh Day Adventist Church** H. Eugene Miller, Pastor, 334-9315 2860 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac. PO Box 447, W. Sac. 95691 Sat. Sabbath School 9:30am Worship 11am 372-6570
First Baptist Church Gary Clements, Pastor 1511 Delaware Ave., 371-4061 Morning Wrshp/Sun Schl 9:45am Adult choir 4:45pm Child. Choir 5pm/Prayer Grp 6pm Jr./Sr. High Youth Grp 6:30pm Tues. Nite Bible Study 7pm Wed. Nite Akawana (K-6) 6:30 Thurs. Nite Quilting 7pm	**Trinity Presbyterian Church** 1500 Park Blvd., W. Sac. Rev. Steve Whitney (916) 371-5875 Service: Sunday at 10 a.m. including children's programs	**Holy Cross Catholic Church** 1321 Anna St. near Todhunter 371-1211 Rev. Chad Puthoff, SDS Sat. Vigil 5pm (English) Sun. 9 (English) Noon & 7pm (Spanish) Mon. 8:30am, Tues-Wed 7am, Thurs. 6:45 (Spanish) Fri. 8:30am
First Southern Baptist Church Sun. School 9:30am Sun. Worship 11am, 6:30pm Wed. 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 1124 Michigan Blvd. 371-2111	**Southport Community Church** James Allerton, Pastor 2568 Industrial Blvd. 10:30 a.m. Children's Programs Wkly Small Grp Bible Study Great Music www.southportcommunity.com 372-7818	**Westside Covenant Church** 371-3933 Meeting Sunday at 10 a.m. at Westfield Village Elementary School 508 Poplar Ave. West Sacramento
Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church 911 Park Blvd., 371-4814 Father James B. Walsh, Pastor Masses: Sat. Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9 & 10:30am Weekdays 7am No Mass on Thursday	Call 371-8030 to find out how your church can reach local people through this advertising space.	**Center for Spiritual Awareness** 1020 W. Capitol Ave. 374-9177 Sun. services 9 & 11 am Junior Church, 11 am Multicultural Gospel Choir Wed. 7 pm Peace Prayers *'The last place you should catch hell is in your church"*



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In local government

The West Sacramento City Council will meet in public session at 7 p.m. tonight at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

Among the agenda items:

Presentation by the Washington Unified School District on the school bond ballot measure and the site selection process for a new high school; approval of Davis Road parcel map; approval of Newport Estates Development Agreement; appointment to Yolo County Waste Advisory Board; approval of financial assistance application to the state revolving loan fund for partial financing for Arlington Oaks sewer project; modification to city's contribution under public employee's medical & hospital care act; consideration of traffic safety improvements on Park Blvd.; changes to tree ordinance; and agreement with county and school district for community library.

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will meet in public session at 6 p.m. at 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

Agenda items include subdivision of a 5 acre parcel at 1325 Linden Road; vesting tentative map for 34 parcels on 1.5 acres at 400 5th street; approval of subdivision map for 17.28 acres involving 100 single-family lots near Linden Road and Mojave Drive; and a conditional use permit for a 20-inch diameter petroleum products pipeline along a region including Enterprise Blvd., Industrial Blvd.; the Port of Sacramento; Jefferson Blvd. and South River Road; public hearing for Bridgeway Lakes near Marshall and Burrows roads and Jefferson Blvd.

McGowan again chairs supes

West Sacramento's Michael McGowan has been selected to serve as chairman for 2004 for the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, for the third time.

Supervisor Helen Thomson of Davis was elected vice chair.

McGowan was awarded with a "Circle of Service" award from the California Association of Counties for his work on Indian gaming issues. He chairs the Indian Gaming Working Group and worked on the agreement between Yolo County and the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians, along with fellow supervisor Lynnel Pollock.

'ACROSS THE BRIDGE':

Events around the region

Custom motorcycles

The Easyriders Bike Show will be held at the Sacramento Community Center on January 17th. There will be wall-to-wall custom bikes, a motorcycle trade show, a roadware fashion show, and live music. Doors open at noon. For more information, call 1-800-962-9857.

Fairytale Town

The following events are scheduled at Fairytale Town, located in Sacramento's William Land Park at 3901 Land Park Drive:

Fairytales in Wonderland, on January 24th from 11 am to 3 pm, which will celebrate the birthdays of Fairytale legends Brothers Grimm, Lewis Carroll, and A.A. Milne.

Museum Day, on February 7th from 10 am to 3 pm, when all guests will enjoy free admission.

Black History Month Celebration, on February 21-22, which will include a History Talks Museum, crafting Unity Wreaths, and weaving African bookmarks.

For more information on any of these events, call 264-5233 or go to www.fairytaletown.org.

Storytellers event

The Sacramento Storytellers Guild will hold a free performance on February 12th from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at the Hart Center, 27th and J Streets in Sacramento. The theme will be "Up With Love or Down With Pills, Potions and Poxés". Donations are accepted.

The Sacramento Storytellers Guild is a non-profit arts organization dedicated to promoting the art of storytelling.

Historical society meets

The Sacramento County Historical Society will meet on January 26th at 7 p.m. at Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society, 5380 Elvas Avenue in Sacramento. The program will be Gold Rush Medicine by Dr. Bob La Perriere. For more information call 485-7723.

German genealogy society meets

The next meeting of the Sacramento German Genealogy Society will be held on January 27th at 1 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church on Lusk Drive at St. Mark's Way in Sacramento. Speaker Paul Mueller will talk about tips you can use for reading German church and civil records. For more information, call 782-5704.

Classic movie

The Towe Auto Museum, located at 2000 Front Street in Sacramento, will show the classic 1932 movie "Million Dollar Legs", featuring Jack Oakie and co-starring W.C. Fields, Ben Turpin and Lyda Robeti, on January 23rd. The evening will begin with a Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ Concert with Dave Moreno at 7 p.m. Admission is $8. For more information, call 442-6802.

SCC presents play

City Theatre at Sacramento City College will present *Walls*, by Bay Area playwright Jeannie Barroga from January 16-31. The play dramatizes the creation and controversy of the National Vietnam Veterans Memorial. For performance times and ticket information call 558-2228.

Art Court Theatre at SCC is located at 3835 Freeport Boulevard in Sacramento.

Genealogy society meets

The Genealogical Association of Sacramento will meet at 1 p.m. on January 21st at the Belle Cooledge Library, 5600 South Land Park Drive in Sacramento. Glenda Lloyd will present "Using County History in Research". Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information, call 682-8004.

The dream goes on

"And the Dream Goes On" will be presented at the CSUS University Theatre from Jan 9-18. Experience a truly unique, exciting theatrical production with rousing music, dance, and poetic words. For ticket information, call 916-557-1999, or go to the CSUS University Theatre box office located at Shasta Hall, 6000 J Street in Sacramento.

Folsom history exhibit

The Folsom History Museum newest exhibit, "Main Street USA; Shopkeepers from the Past", will be on display through February 22, 2003. The museum is located at 823 Sutter Street and is open Wed-Sun from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is $2.

Alzheimer's society meets

The Alzheimer's Aid Society of Northern California Support Group for the Memory Impaired will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday in January at 10:30 a.m. at the Alzheimer's Aid Society Office, 2641 Cottage Way, Suite #4 in Sacramento. For more information on other related groups and meetings, call 448-7001.

Widowed persons meet

The Widowed Persons Association of California encourages widowed men and women to come to Sunday Support get-togethers each Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Widowed Persons Association office, located at 2628 El Camino Avenue, Suite D-18.

Activities include bowling, brown bag opera, needle and thread, breakfasts, dinners, golf, card games, dancing and traveling. For more information, call 972-9722.

Police log

Jan. 4, 12:25 p.m.

An officer took a report regarding a missing juvenile girl. About 10 minutes later, the girl's mother flagged the officer down and told him where the girl was staying. The officer located the girl with a woman at the given address, and the woman claimed she had permission from the girl's parents to have the girl. The woman was arrested for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Jan. 9, 8 a.m.

Two women assaulted a victim and stole her purse on Short Street.

Jan. 9, 8:03 p.m.

A 32-year old woman was arrested after shooting a victim in the shoulder with a BB gun and then shooting at him again as he fled, breaking the window of a vehicle.

Jan. 10, 12:12 a.m.

A 32-year old woman and 29-year old West Capitol man were arrested for possessing methamphetamine, a short-barreled shotgun, a mouse-trap booby trap, a drug pipe and several knives. A two-year old child was present.

Jan. 10

A 6th Street man on searchable probation had failed to register after moving to a new address. Police searched the residence and found items from a stolen van, which was parked outside. The man was arrested.

Dec. 10, 7 a.m.

People reported a subject taking tools and other items from a commercial vehicle into an apartment on A Street. An officer responded. The resident was on probation. The truck had been stolen. The stolen property was recovered.

Jan. 10, 1:30 p.m.

Children age 5, 9 & 13 were taken into protective custody and turned over to Child Protective Services. They had been living with their uncle, who could no longer take care of them. Both their parents were in prison.

Jan. 10, 8 p.m.

At 3400 Evergreen, a drive-by shooting was reported by only one caller, a young child. A suspect had jumped from a car and fired about six shots at close range at another car. Police found six spent shell casings from a .25 caliber gun. Officers contacted several subjects "who obviously observed and heard what happened," but learned little. One anonymous person said the shooting was gang-related.

Jan. 11, 3:38 a.m.

A 21-year old female was arrested for breaking two windows and slashing three tires on a vehicle parked on Sixth Street.

Dec. 11, 5:38 a.m.

Officers responded to a store on 15th Street after a newspaper delivery person reported the front door had been pried open. An officer and police dog searched, but found no suspects. A crime scene investigator also responded. An ATM had been pried open, as well as a safe. Missing was over $5,000 in cash, $1,000 in gold $1 coins, cigarettes, fireplace logs, donuts, 50 packs of beef jerky, tequila, gin, a 12-pack of beer and a metal detector.

Jan. 11, 10:44 a.m.

A 1998 Plymouth was stolen, possibly by an ex-boyfriend following an argument.

Jan. 11, 6:32 p.m.

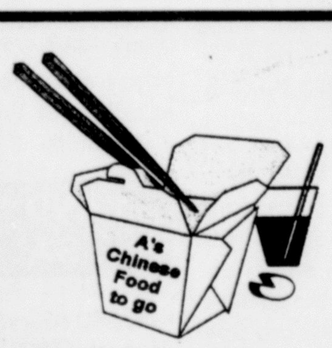
A vehicle ran into a ditch near Jefferson Blvd. and Linden Road. A woman was arrested for DUI and released to the custody of a friend.

Jan. 11

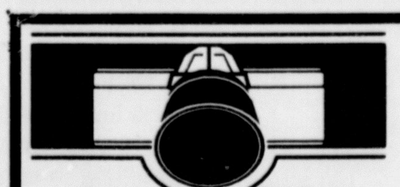
An officer contacted a 25-year old man sleeping at a bus stop bench at West Capitol Avenue and Poplar. He appeared intoxicated and had a local arrest warrant, and was arrested.

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OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

Bits & pieces

The Sacramento City Council voted 8-1 on Nov. 13 to oppose "unconstitutional" provisions of the USA Patriot Act. The West Sacramento City Council has no plans to take a stand on the same national issue.

The News-Ledger has had only one brush with the Patriot Act, to the best of the newspaper's knowledge: a railroad official declined to tell the newspaper whether it was shipping or storing hazardous materials along the Jefferson Boulevard corridor. The reporter was left unsure whether this secrecy left local residents more safe, or less so. The reporter also wondered whether this mandate to keep rail cargo a secret, even when the hazardous cargo is being stored next to homes, is a provision placed into the Act by those truly concerned with national security, or by those concerned with making life easier for railroads.

What is clear is that the Patriot Act is one of those historical "overreactions" that we cough up following a crisis. Portions of it are un-American if not unconstitutional. The provisions allowing the president to detain people without legal representation, or without charges, are reprehensible. They are the signs of a fragile state – typical of a dictatorship – and not of a strong republic.

Someday we'll all be embarrassed about this.

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The Washington Unified School District will talk to the city council tonight about Measure Q – the $52 million school bond measure on the March ballot – and about the process being used to select a site for the new high school to be built with Measure Q.

The new high school appears headed for a location near Jefferson Blvd. and Linden Road.

Some locals are very concerned about traffic impacts from this location, and there is trouble closing a deal with some of the landowners who currently own the property.

An alternate site near the Port of Sacramento might (or might not) be better, but port officials have strongly fought its consideration.

Meanwhile, the port is in serious, longterm financial distress and its reasons to oppose a nearby high school could well soon become obsolete.

Should the school district keep its options open?

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The city has proposed some changes to its "tree ordinance," meant to preserve large or "heritage" species trees as a community asset. Such trees, basically, can come down only if they are unhealthy or if they hinder reasonable use of the land, and must be replaced with young trees.

The problem this community has had in the past is that obtaining a permit to cut a "landmark" tree has been a fairly secret process. The public finds out a tree is being removed when the public sees the chainsaw at work. At that point, it's too late to review the arborist's conclusion that the tree is sick, or too late to question the developer's land use plans.

True, private property must be respected, but this is not an absolute right (even those who feel it is an "absolute" right will generally concede exceptions when pressed). Large trees, like other natural resources, are community assets that must be reasonably protected. One generation should not strip the resources and leave the next generation bereft, when it can be reasonably avoided.

The ordinance would benefit from a chance for public review of tree-cutting permits. Permit approval should become a brief part of a city agenda such as a planning commission or city council meeting.

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Letters to the Editor

Vote "no" on school bond

The WUSD School Board and administration are frequently bragging about the "enormous gains" in academic performance by the students in their district. Have they truly forgotten about Westfield Elementary School, which according to the Sacramento Bee, is one of the five worst performing schools in the entire Sacramento region? They do like to take credit for award-winning Westmore Oaks Elementary School, but an outstanding principal and an excellent staff are the ones who set the high standards for student excellence at that school.

Since the School Board has decided to proceed with a $52 million bond measure, I would like answers to a few questions. I would like to know the work history of each administrator and board member. The district office refuses to release any of this information by quoting their attorney who states that resumes are confidential information. I want to know who on the School Board or in the administration has the intelligence, education, and experience to oversee $52 million for an unplanned school at an undecided location? Without extensive community input to decide these two issues and numerous others, we have nothing to vote for. I believe it is ludicrous to expect taxpayers to hand over this huge amount of money without a written and very detailed plan on how it is going to be spent.

What really scares me is that the School Board has already misled us once about their plan to search for and then hire the best superintendent they could find. If they are less than honest about simple personnel matters, then how can we possibly trust them to handle major financial decisions in an open and truthful way?

Until we elect a new and qualified School Board, I am forced to vote "no" on all school bonds.

SHARI BAELFYR
West Sacramento

Sidewalks need work

The sidewalks in West Sacramento are in less than acceptable shape and now the mayor and his two pocket votes want us to spend literally millions on a sidewalk we don't need, and by the time this project is realized in two years, the price will have gone up again.

We don't need to pave the way for Sacramentans to come to Raley Field, we need new streets and sidewalks in places like Arlington Oaks, Bryte and Broderick, some of which are fifty years old. It's time to let those three know we are tired of all this regionalism. It's time for the focus to be on our neighborhoods and homes. Say what you mean and mean what you say.

JIMMIE L. MANERCHIA
West Sacramento

Clark for president

Over the years many presidential contenders have been loosely labeled as a "grassroots candidate". Today we have an actual, genuine, real live candidate who really deserves that description. General Wesley Clark is the man of the people who will send George Bush packing. Oh happy day!

Gen. Clark first caught my attention when he appeared as a military analyst for CNN. I was impressed with his intelligence and sense of balance but I had a mental block. For some reason, I couldn't remember his last name. In cross country conversations with my daughter, I referred to him as that "General with the beautiful eyes".

One day I shocked both my daughter and myself with the comment that I wished he would run for president. In spite of (or because of) the fact that my daughter's husband is a master sergeant, she shares my lifelong suspicion of the military mentality. I passed the remark off as whimsy assuming Clark was one of those rare (practically extinct) Republicans still in contact with reality.

Then, miracle or miracles, the general announced he was a Democrat. Soon I saw a "draft Clark" TV ad by like-minded Democrats.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 16, 2003
File No. 2003-1153

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Michal Sue Weinman, same addres.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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/s/Michal Sue Weinman

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Date: Dec. 16, 2003
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 12, 2003
File No. 2003-1138

The following person is doing business as eByte, 3070 Hawaii Ct., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Brian Eberly and Andrea Eberly, 3070 Hawaii Ct., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

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/s/Brian Eberly

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ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting on January 14, 2004, the West Sacramento City Council is scheduled to adopt Ordinance 04-2 (formerly 03-20) entering into a Development Agreement with Newport Estates.

Jan 7

PUBLIC NOTICE – West Sacramento
Port of Sacramento Cement Import and Distribution Facility

The Port of Sacramento, California (Port) proposes to construct a cement import and distribution facility ("Project") on +/- 3.8 acres of its facility and lease it to A&A Ready Mixed Concrete, Inc. to modernize and expand its current cement import and distribution operation. This proposed Project includes the construction of facilities to unload, store and more efficiently distribute dry bulk cement.

The proposed Project is designed to meet the increasing demand for cement in Northern California and implement modern transportation and pollution prevention strategies. The proposed Project is capable of importing and distributing 200,000 metric tons in the first year of operation. Depending on market conditions, yearly increases of 100,000 metric tons/year are possible for the following six years, reaching a maximum capacity of 800,000 metric tons/year.

The Project site is located at the Port of Sacramento in West Sacramento. It lies entirely within the existing and gated Port terminal, south of the Industrial Boulevard/Terminal Street intersection.

The Port will evaluate and consider the environmental impacts of this Project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A CEQA initial study and possibly other environmental studies of the proposed Project will be completed by the Port prior to any final decision-making.

The Port is hosting two public meetings to describe the project and solicit comments regarding the proposed content of environmental analyses. The Port welcomes your attendance at one of the two Public Meetings on Wednesday, January 14th, 2004. The first will be held at 2 p.m. and the second at 7 p.m. on the First Floor of the Port's office at 3251 Beacon Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95798.

Jan 7 14

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 12, 2003
File No. 2003-1141

The following person is doing business as New Life Painting, 17 Barth Ct., Woodland CA 95776:

Paul Douglas Daugherty, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/12/2004.

/s/Paul Douglas Daugherty

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Date: Dec. 12, 2003
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Yolo County Housing Authority will be opening the waiting list for the Section 8 subsidized housing program.

The Section 8 program provides rental assistance to eligible families. We will accept Section 8 pre-applications every day for the year 2004. Public Housing tenants must complete a new pre-application if they are interested in the Section 8 program.

The Housing Authority has no federal preferences. Applications are based on date and time, and ranked on local and Veterans preference only. Residency and income will not be verified until a final application is taken and subsidy is available. This pre-application is only to place your name on the waiting list. The waiting time may vary between one to five years.

Applicants will be notified by mail that they have either been placed on the waiting list, or that they do not qualify, within thirty days of the application submission date.

Effective Wednesday, January 7, 2004
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
1224 Lemen Avenue,
Woodland, CA 95776

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Jan. 6, 2004
File No. 2004-18

The following person is doing business as Lee's Fast Food, 2020 E. Main St., Woodland CA 95776:

Hee Young Kim and Jong Heon Lee, 2020 E. Main St., Woodland CA 95776.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1-6-04.

/s/Hee Young Kim

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Date: Jan. 6, 2004
by: /s/Eleigh Fagel, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Nov 3, 2003
File No. 2003-1008

The following person is doing business as The Main Street Gallery, 9 East Main Street, Suite I, Winters CA 95694 :

Thelma Weatherford, 2300 Cezanne Ct., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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/s/Thelma Weatherford

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Date: Nov 3, 2003
by: /s/Josie Ramirez, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 17, 2003
File No. 2003-1162

The following person is doing business as Broderick Group Fellowship, 920 Drever St., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Debbie Desorry, 1019 Meadow Rd., W. Sac. CA 95691.

This business is conducted by an unincorporated association – other than a partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12-17-03.

/s/Debbie Desorry

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Date: Dec. 17, 2003
by: /s/Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec 8, 2003
File No. 2003-1117

The following person is doing business as Helping Handz – Home Support Services, 3153 Sumatra St., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Jacqueline H. Younger, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/07/03.

/s/Jacqueline H. Younger

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Freddie Oakley, Clerk
Date: Dec. 8, 2003
by: /s/Linda Smith, Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for 1647 Tamarack Road in West Sacramento. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of a request to subdivide an existing 0.51-acre parcel into two 0.256-acre parcels in the R-1B land use zone. The subject parcel is developed with two single-family homes, several mature trees, detached sheds and a detached garage. The request also includes a Variance from the sideyard setback requirement to allow the detached garage to remain. The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that with the implementation of recommended mitigation measures there will be no significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Copies of the Negative Declaration are on file in the office of the West Sacramento Community Development Department at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 (telephone 916/617-4645).

Any affected or interested parties may appear at the February 5, 2004, Planning Commission meeting and comment on the Negative Declaration and/or the proposed project.

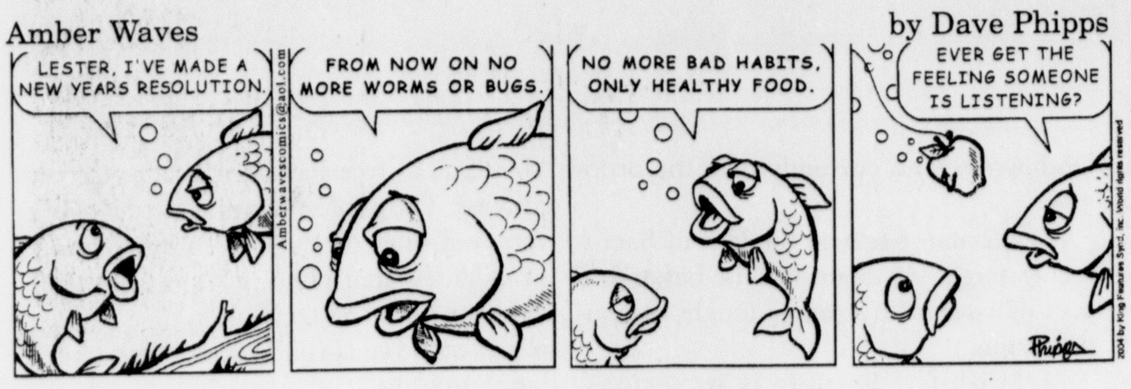
The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration on February 5, 2004, in the City Council chambers located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

Jan 14

PUZZLES & COMICS

Amber Waves

by Dave Phipps



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



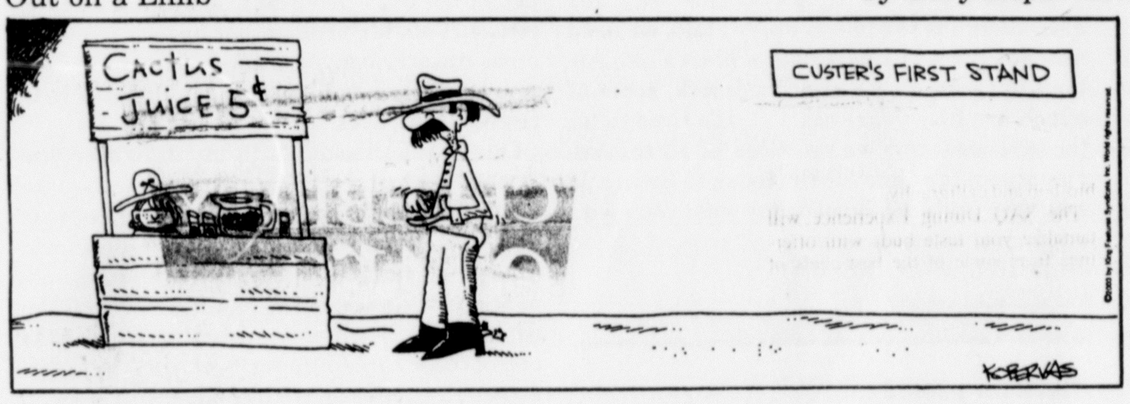
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by Gary Kopervas



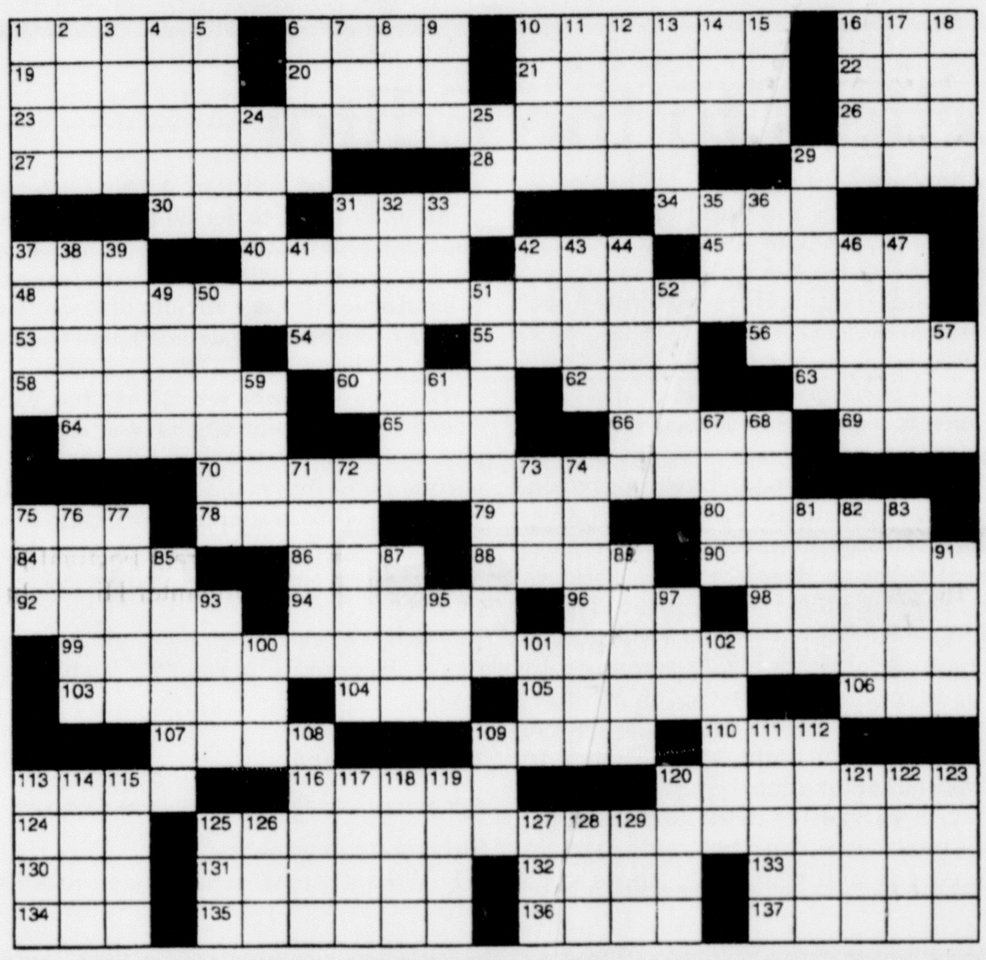


Super Crossword

MANE EVENT

ACROSS
1 A lot
6 Bungle
10 Makes a touchdown
16 Hen's hubby
19 Deck type
20 Ford or Grey
21 Frolic
22 Poster abbr.
23 Start of a remark by Jack Simmons
26 Distant
27 Expensive appetizer
28 Common contraction
29 Charon's river
30 Wallach or Whitney
31 Moore of "G.I. Jane"
34 Writer Paretsky
37 Actor Tremayne
40 Hangs tinsel
42 Command to Fido
45 Cries like a baby
48 Part 2 of remark
53 React to a pun
54 Enthusiast
55 "Dallas" matriarch
56 Lummoxlike
58 Had a hankering
60 Mister, in Munich
62 Architect's add-on
63 Harness part
64 Radio and TV
65 Duncan's denial
66 "— a Song Go Out of My Heart" ('38 tune)
69 — Bank, NJ
70 Part 3 of remark
75 HST's successor
78 On the briny
79 Service charge
80 Disconcert
84 Cubist Rubik?
86 Business abbr.
88 Starchy tuber
90 Moved like a mouse
92 — del Sol
94 Teatime treat
96 Tachometer meas.
98 Lawn ornament
99 Part 4 of remark
103 Lots of laughter
104 JFK lander
105 Intense
106 Vane letters
107 Tend the garden
109 Pipe part
110 Cry of discovery
113 Spanish dance
116 Allen's partner
120 Passed into law
124 — Baba
125 End of remark
130 — Buddhism
131 Lunar spacecraft
132 Skater Heiden
133 Kovacs or Pyle
134 Actress Caldwell
135 Scrimshaw material
136 Mr. Walesa
137 Cassandra and Merlin

DOWN
1 Fountain order
2 Nursery furniture
3 Alan of "California Suite"
4 Holmes' creator
5 Reel
6 Take off
7 Tyler or Ullmann
8 Colorado native
9 Saloon
10 Trauma aftermath
11 Spelunker's spot
12 It bakes the cake
13 Alex Haley book
14 Directional suffix
15 Sault — Marie, MI
16 27th president
17 All right
18 Chico or Karl
24 Textbook headings
25 "Bali —"
29 Finn's friend
31 See 91 Down
32 Distinguished
33 Flavor enhancer: abbr.
35 Honest name
36 Durban dough
37 Word form for "study"
38 — Zimbalist, Jr.
39 Rock's — Poneys
41 Ring official
42 Missouri airport abbr.
43 Presque —, ME
44 Dimly illuminated
46 Solitary sort
47 "Wake Up Little —" ('57 hit)
49 Card collection
50 Silverware city
51 From now on
52 Opening remark?
57 Wrap up
59 Place to pontificate
61 Unrefined
67 "Gracious me!"
68 Trinidad's neighbor
71 Voltaire, for one
72 Reagan and Wilson
73 Teachers' org.
74 O'Hara's "From the —"
75 Cal. page
76 Sag
77 Follow
81 "New Yorker" cartoonist
82 Tend a fire
83 Macho types
85 Canada's capital
87 Dovecote sounds
89 Soporific substance
91 With 31 Down, '58 Frankie Avalon hit
93 Qualified
95 Squirrel's snack
97 "The A-Team" actor
100 Manipulate
101 Toque or tam
102 Hotelier Helmsley
108 Salivate
109 Silly Caesar
111 Basketball's Elvin
112 Paint pigment
113 "All That —" ('79 film)
114 Toast topper
115 Prong
117 Eye appreciatively
118 Flatfish
119 Before long
120 Engrave
121 Mood
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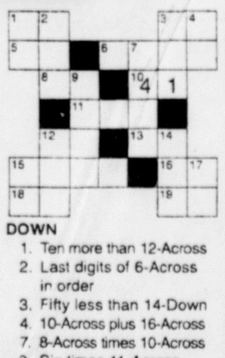


Please see answers on back page

Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, two digits have been entered in the diagram.



ACROSS
1. One less than 18-Across
3. Three times 1-Across
5. Three more than 16-Across
6. Five more than 15-Across
8. 1-Across plus 5-Across
10. Five more than 13-Across
11. Digits of 3-Down rearranged
12. Four more than 19-Across
13. One-half of 17-Down
15. Digits of 7-Down rearranged
16. 3-Across minus 19-Across
18. 13-Across minus 19-Across
19. One-fifth of 5-Across

DOWN
1. Ten more than 12-Across
2. Last digits of 6-Across in order
3. Fifty less than 14-Down
4. 10-Across plus 16-Across
7. 8-Across times 10-Across
9. Six times 11-Across
12. 13-Across plus 4-Down
14. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
15. 8-Across minus 10-Across
17. Three more than 3-Across

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L N L J G L W L U H I E F D C
A L Y A E L P K C M K V R W V
T S E D Q E P E C N N O L K I
H Y N W H K L P C O O G F E C
B A Z S O Y W O V K R C U S R
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Ashe	Dole	McGovern	Wayne
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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3	6	5	3	8	4	7	5	7	4	6	7	3
T	N	T	A	G	U	P	H	A	R	A	N	N
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8	4	3	5	2	6	4	7	3	5	4	2	4
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CRITIC'S CORNER
By D.N.A Smith

"Cheaper by the Dozen"

Running time: 100 minutes
MPAA rating: PG

Would it be too much of a David Spade Moment if I said, "I liked 'Cheaper by the Dozen' better when it was called 'Parenthood'"? Who cares, it's true.

Steve Martin stars as the coach of a Division III college football team. He was once offered a job coaching a Division I team, but he turned it down to settle in a small town to raise his huge family.

Bonnie Hunt plays Martin's wife and mother of their brood of 12 children. I love Bonnie Hunt. She's funny. But there is no way in God's Green Earth that this woman looks like she pounded out 12 children (including a set of twins). She has a perfect figure, and there isn't a single line on her face. And, she's wayyy too calm to be doing the Mom Thing.

Still, it's a movie, and I'm willing to overlook the fact that there's no way someone like Steve Martin is a football coach or that Bonnie Hunt is the mother of 12.

Apparently, Hunt is also such a superb mother, she not only has time to keep house and raise 12 children, she also has the time and energy to write a book about it.

Her book is picked up by a major publisher, and she has to leave on a promotional tour.

Well, wouldn't you know it. Just as Mom leaves to realize her dream of being a writer, Dad gets an offer to coach a Division I team.

The whole family moves to a mansion (!) provided by the university, where the unruly brood of rug rats proceed to trash the place. And, I guess, laughs aplenty are supposed to ensue watching Dad trying to raise 12 kids while coaching a major college team.

The comedy is supposed to be slapstick, but mostly it's just gross-out humor. In one scene, a frog gets loose at the breakfast table, havoc ensues and Steve Martin is left with egg on his face.

In another scene, the kids "launder" one of the girls' boyfriend's under-



Piper Peraho, Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt

wear in ground beef, then sic the neighborhood dogs on him.

"Cheaper by the Dozen" is a profoundly mediocre movie. It's a sorry state of affairs when the outtakes playing over the end credits garner more laughs than the film itself.

The only thing keeping me from giving this film a D grade is Martin's performance and those outtakes. But really, is this a reason to blow big bucks seeing this in the theater? I don't think so.

If you have a hankering for a funny, entertaining Steve Martin family film, rent "Parenthood" or "Father of the Bride."

GRADE: C-

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PORTS OF CALL
by Bethany Murray

Montreal Festival Is Midwinter Highlight

The holidays are long over, but winter is just getting into the swing of things, and nobody knows how to celebrate it like Canada. For a cultural kaleidoscope of taste, color, sound and light, set against the historic backdrop of one of Canada's most beautiful cities, lock your GPS on southwestern Québec and the fifth annual Montreal High Lights festival.

Montreal High Lights combines food, performing arts and dazzling light displays in an 11-night midwinter celebration showcasing the best this city has to offer, from Thursday, Feb. 19 through Sunday, Feb. 29. Each year the festival pays tribute to gastronomically inspirational regions around the world; this year's are Rhône-Alps (Lyon and the surrounding areas) in France, and Boston in the United States.

Three series comprise High Lights:

The Sun Life Financial Performing Arts series showcases dance, theater and music as well as local museums, and features new presentations as well as classics and highly demanded returns.

This year features as its co-presidents Robert Lepage, director of contemporary theatre, whose presentation of "The Busker's Opera" will make its world premiere at the festival; and Laurie Anderson, pioneer of electronic music and performance art and the first resident artist at NASA, who will also present a world premiere — a piece from her series "Happiness." Other performances include Edward Albee's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"; the Ballet de l'Opera national de Lyon; and the Lyonnaise dance company Käfig, with an act blending hip-hop and calligraphy.

The SAQ Dining Experience will tantalize your taste buds with offerings from some of the best chefs of Montreal and from around the world. There will be a bounty of food and wine events — more than 350 — including workshops, convivial dinners, fixed-price lunches, the Bistro SAQ, cocktail parties and tastings. This series also features Flavour Week, with special events every day and a food theme for each day. You'll learn about everything from maple syrup to mead and indulge in the delights of the likes of Cheese Day (Thursday, Feb. 26). This year's honorary president of the SAQ Dining Experience is George Blanc, a three-star Michelin chef from Lyon.

The Hydro-Québec Celebration of Light will dazzle you with free outdoor activities and concerts celebrating light, fire and pyrotechnics. You can also gather with friends and family around toasty bonfires and share some hot chocolate or warming wine. More information will be available in early February at the festival Web site, www.montrealhighlights.com.

For more information, including schedules, packages, hotels and maps, go to www.montrealhighlights.com.

Send comments, ideas or tips to portsofcall2001@aol.com, or send letters c/o KFWS, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you're getting kudos and other positive reactions to your suggestions, don't let the cheers drown out some valid criticisms. Better to deal with them now than later.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Following your keen Bovine intuition pays off, as you not only reassess the suggestions some people are putting in front of you, but also their agendas for doing so.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You continue on a high-enthusiasm cycle as that new project you've assumed takes shape. You're also buoyed by the anticipation of receiving some good news about a personal matter.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your eagerness to immerse yourself in your new assignment is understandable. But be careful that you don't forget to take care of that pressing personal situation as well.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time to learn a new skill that could give a clever Cat an edge in the upcoming competition for workplace opportunities. Enjoy the arts this weekend with someone special.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You could risk creating an impasse if you insist on expecting more from others than they're prepared to give. Showing flexibility in what you'll accept could prevent a stalemate.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Although you can weigh all factors of a dispute to find an agreeable solution for others, you might need the skilled input of someone you trust to help you deal with an ongoing situation of your own.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The good news is that your brief period of self-doubt turns into a positive "I can do anything" attitude. The better news is that you'll soon be able to prove it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good time for Sagittarians to start making travel plans while you can still select from a wide menu of choices and deals, and not be forced to settle for leftovers.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Like your zodiacal sign, the sure-footed Goat, you won't allow obstacles in your path to keep you from reaching your goal. Don't be surprised by who asks to go along with you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Let your head dominate your heart as you consider the risks that might be involved in agreeing to be a friend's co-signer or otherwise act as his or her backup in a financial matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Prioritize: Resolve to close the door and let your voicemail take your phone calls while you finish up a task before the end-of-week deadline. Then go out and enjoy a fun-filled weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your capacity for care and compassion helps to bring comfort to others.

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THE CHOPPING BLOCK
by Philomena Corradeno

HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH FIT FOR ROYALTY



It's almost sinful to call today's first recipe a "ham and cheese" sandwich — it enfolds three of Europe's finest foods. So precious are they that their good names are protected by the European Union's "Protected Designation of Origin" certification system. They are Italy's Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese and Prosciutto di Parma ham, and France's Comte, a cheese that dates back to the 13th century and is a kind of French Gruyere, similar in taste to Swiss.

Foods don't come by these certifications and protections easily. Producers must follow strict quality guidelines set by the laws of the producing country and enforced by independent authorities and their own trade associations.

So, to make the sandwiches that follow, look for the identifying marks to be sure you're getting the real thing and the finest taste: the name Parmigiano-Reggiano in pin dots on its rind; a cowbell logo and the name "Comte" on a green or brown label; a ducal crown and "Parma" burnt into the prosciutto skin.

EURO-STYLE HAM AND CHEESE SANDWICH

- *1 cup coarsely grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese (about 2 ounces)*
- *1/4 cup pine nuts (pignoli)*
- *1/4 cup fresh basil leaves*
- *1 small clove garlic*
- *1/4 cup olive oil*
- *8 slices coarse-textured country bread**
- *8 thin slices tomato*
- *8 slices Prosciutto di Parma (about 4 ounces)*
- *4 ounces thinly sliced Comte cheese*
- *Salad greens*

*An Italian loaf, such as Tuscan bread, is ideal.

In food processor container, combine Parmigiano-Reggiano, pine nuts, basil and garlic; pulse until almost smooth. Gradually add oil while pulsing; process until smooth, about 45 seconds. (This produces pesto.) Spread each bread slice with 1 tablespoon pesto. On 4 slices, layer tomato, prosciutto and Comte; top with salad greens. Cover with remaining bread slices. Makes 4 sandwiches.

Note: Transfer any remaining pesto to a resealable plastic bag for another use; refrigerate for up to 2 days, or freeze.

PROSCIUTTO AND EGG SANDWICH

- *3 eggs*
- *2 tablespoons grated Comte cheese or 1 tablespoon grated Parmigiano-Reggiano*
- *1 tablespoon butter*
- *2 sandwich rolls, warmed and split*
- *4 slices tomato*
- *6 thin slices Prosciutto di Parma (about 3 ounces)*

In small bowl, beat eggs; add cheese. In small skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Add egg mixture; cook until almost set, about 3 minutes; turn and brown on other side, about 2 minutes. Slide omelet out onto plate. Cut omelet in half; place one half on bottom of each roll. Top each with 2 tomato slices and prosciutto; cover with tops of rolls. Makes 2 sandwiches.

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CELEBRITY extra
by Evelyn Green

Q. What's happened to Sarah Michelle Gellar (ex-"Buffy the Vampire Slayer")? She was supposed to have all these important movies to do, but except for "Scooby Doo" I don't think she's done very much. — *Dorisette S.*

A. Many of Gellar's fans feel she probably made a wrong turn or two in her career by becoming associated with the Scooby Doo franchise. However, although it might not be high art, it has done a lot for her and husband, Freddie Prinze Jr.'s, bottom line.

That being said, Gellar's next film, "The Grudge," returns her to the world of the supernatural. The film is an American remake of the popular Japanese movie "Ju-On," about a vengeful ghost out to kill everyone in a family he believes had wronged him in life. The new movie will be helmed by "Ju-On's" director, Takashi Shimizu.

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Q. How has Alicia Keys handled the stories about her being gay? — *Ronee L.*

A. Keys says she is not a lesbian, but she can understand why some people think she is, because she has what she calls a "strong-minded personality" and also never apologizes for what she says. How those qualify as lesbian traits in Keys' perception, or why she thinks the public believes that to be so, is something I don't quite understand. Maybe one day she'll



Alicia Keys

explain it.

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Q. As an "X-Men" fan, I'm glad to know there'll be a third film. But what's this about Ian McKellen not wanting to come back (to the franchise) as Magneto? — *Richard L.*

A. McKellen, who also stars as Gandalf in "Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King," did say at one time that he might not do "X-Men 3." However, he changed his mind when, he says, he actually saw "X-Men 2" for the first time on a DVD disk and realized how much he enjoyed it. He says he then made it clear that he would be aboard No. 3.

Have a question for Evelyn? E-mail her at letters.kfws@hearstsc.com, or write to her in care of King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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Books

Working Men
By Michael Dorris
(Picador, $14)
Reviewed by Cindy Elavsky

In "Working Men," Michael Dorris has captured the coveted quality of "Everyman" and has transferred him into his stories in a seamless and eloquent transition. Dorris has created characters that seem effortlessly drawn and achingly real. It is this quality, this ease of existence, that make Dorris' stories stand out as masterpieces of short fiction.

The story "Qiana" follows a year in the life of Normand, a snowplow driver whose discovery of a shirt at an estate sale prompts him to leave his wife of 30-odd years in order to take up with the ex-wife of the owner of that shirt. While many would never give the shirt a second glance, Normand sees this out-of-date, overpriced shirt as something of a treasure. Getting past the overbearing objections of his wife, Normand buys the shirt, sees himself in this underappreciated treasure and alters his entire life as a result.

"Earnest Money" follows life after the war for a Vietnam-era draft-dodger who hid out in Canada for eight years before returning home to try and put himself to some sort of use. He begins an unconventional relationship with a divorced mother a few years older than himself — maybe to annoy his mother, but mostly because he feels he has found another outsider who will understand him as he needs to be understood.

Dorris' opening story, "The Benchmark," is a lesson of control and vision, and how one's vision can supersede and overtake any aspect of control one may feel they have over another entity. Frank's love for creating and building manmade ponds takes an ironic turn when a love from his life is sacrificed for his love of his work.

"Working Men" is a beautiful accomplishment of literature, as Dorris tells the ordinary stories of ordinary men and women and makes them extraordinary.

Books reviewed in this column are available at your local bookstore.

PAGE FROM THE PAST

THE YOLO INDEPENDENT — FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1920.

IRRIGATION PUMPS HAVE BEEN STARTED TO FILL CANALS IN WEST SACRAMENTO

WHILE NOBODY IS SUFFERING YET THE TRUSTEES OF RECLAMATION DISTRICT ARE NOT WAITING FOR DAMAGE BY DROUGHT

Last Tuesday the 22-inch pump located on the river levee south of West Sacramento headquarters was started pumping water from the Sacramento River into the drainage and irrigation canals of the district.

J. H. Glide, manager of the West Sacramento Company, took this action in order that the farmers in the great district would have no complaint about a shortage of moisture.

The canals may be used as reclamation or irrigation canals. During heavy rains the canals serve to carry off the excess surface water and when they begin to get low the pump above mentioned on the river levee supplies a full quota of water tor sub-irrigation.

Never before in the history of the district has this action been necessary and probably the situation will be relieved in a few days when a downpour of rain comes along.

So far this is the driest winter that California has experienced, but floods have been known to come in March, April, May and even June and July.

A trip through West Sacramento and the Netherlands last Sunday showed that while no crops were absolutely suffering or liable to fail, rain in copious quantities, would do a great deal of good to the farms already planted and growing rapidly.

The pump above mentioned is kept going night and day and throws a vast column of water 22 inches in diameter. In about four days all the canals which converge at the great southern pumping plant will be filled with an ample supply of water that may be pumped by the land owners to irrigate their crops.

In several cases pumps are being installed on the banks of the canals and more will be added as the weather shows an inclination to continue dry.

It almost appears as if the people were being visited by the judgment of God with a drought for having permitted themselves to become the goats of prohibition.

SUICIDE MADE DELIBERATE PLANS TO END ALL

While strolling along the river levee about half a mile north of Washington yesterday G. Albrecht and W. Schroeder of Fresno happened on the corpse of Louis M. Clauson.

They reported to Constable Buckingham, who took charge of the remains until the Coroner arrived from Woodland.

At the side of the corpse lay a double-barreled shotgun with an empty cartridge and fired in such a way that it was evident the suicide was premeditated and fully arranged.

A long forked stick still adhered to the trigger and was evidently used to explode the gun. The remains were cold when discovered.

On the clothing which was fairly good was found 75 cents, a merchandise bill for clothing from a Stockton firm and a long rambling letter to a Stockton physicion. On the back of the bill was written "Forgive me if you can. Louis."

The man had removed his coat, vest and hat and hung them on a tree.

The shot fired from the gun tore away the rear half of the skull and death must have been instantaneous.

It would appear from the evidence at hand that the man was an escape from one of the State asylums.

Deputy Coroner Wilson took the remains to Woodland where an inquest was held last evening.

The man was unknown in this locality and the Coroner is seeking relatives of the deceased.

After having been caught lying, the Flying Parson, B. W. Maynard, is about to take part in a recruiting campaign through a flight of over 2000 miles.

You can't drive a parson out of a good paying job.

The Methodist Episcopal Church is making appeal to women "to refrain from the use of tobacco in the name of the country's welfare.

Most people believed that Methodist Episcopalism taught better habits than smoking.

SURVEYORS ARE MAPPING ROAD FROM BRIDGE TO RIVERBANK

During the past three days a force of surveyors under the direction of the county engineer have been mapping the road from the S. P. bridge to the Sacramento weir a distance of about two miles.

Ten men are engaged in the work and are, hurrying it so that there will be no delay in its construction.

In the plans for the concrete road way the specifications call for its construction north of the S. P. tracks between 3rd and 5th streets and the leveling to the grade of the tracks.

Supervisor Leinberger explains this will be the first piece of road built in this district because it is so badly needed and the present road is in such poor condition. All sharp curves are to be lengthened and all grades removed.

Farther north it will be necessary to raise several stretches of levees before the road can be built. This work is now under way or will be done as soon as dredgers can get to the places.

The surveyors will be through their work in a few days.

English periodicals, French magazines, Russian newspapers, Spanish weeklies and Italian daily papers, although carrying lots of booze advertisements are not to be barred from entrance to the United States.

Yet newspapers, magazines and periodicals, even weekly papers published in the United States can't advertise jackass, near beer, old crow, or old Kirk whiskey.

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The following claims were allowed by the Board of Supervisors at the regular February meeting:

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M. Baliel, roadwork	22.50
H. Costa, roadwork	52.50
Davis Lumber Co., lumber	28.30
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A. Joseph, lbr.	96.00
Natomas Company of California, screened gravel	101.38
A. F. Swall, roadwork	138.00
A. F. Swall, roadwork	24.00
Schaw-Batcher Co., cable	12.31
Manuel Silva, roadwork	61.50

than half way to help amiability and prosperity.

W. A. Parkinson is back at work with the Tacoma Brewery after several days confinement with a severe cold.

Mrs. Fred Moser, who has been ill lat her home, is able to be about again. Her husband has also fully recovered and is able to return to his work.

Last Sunday J. D. Barry, Jr., spent the day with his parents and relatives here. He returned to Mare Island Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Williams have purchased a house in Monterey, where after twenty-two years' residence in Washington, they will make their home. Mrs. Williams left last Sunday for Monterey, and will be joined later in the coast town by her husband, who has remained in Washington to attend to business affairs.

Russell Crase has gone to Grass Valley to attend the funeral of his uncle who died last Tuesday.

Mrs. S. Dupzyk has received word of the serious illness from pneumonia of her little grandson, James Ramsey, in San Francisco.

A marriage license was issued last Tuesday by County Clerk Harry Saunders in Woodland to James Spinola of West Sacramento, aged 32 years and Gertrude Ostwalt of Sacramento, aged 24 years.

BUNGALOWS IN WEST SACRAMENTO ARE IN GREAT DEMAND

So great has become the demand for homes in West Sacramento since it became known that the Virden Packing Plant would be established in the district, that one of the bungalows built two years ago was sold the other day for a very good figure by Miss D. Kruger, Secretary to the Manager of J. H. Glide.

The price paid for the bungalow was $2,750, the lot measuring 50x100 feet.

All these bungalows are very presentable and very comfortable. They contain all modern improvements with the exception that for the time being a gas supply for cooking is not available.

Later on when the mains of the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. are extended from Sacramento to Woodland, gas for cooking will be available in the homes.

At this writing each one of these homes has electric lights, running water, baths and other modern conveniences.

The purchaser of the bungalow just sold by Miss Kruger is Mrs. Jennie Feher, who has already taken up her residence in her new home.

LANAGAN & FOUSE SALOON RAIDED

Federal officers raided the saloon of Lanagan & Fouse at 1023 Third street yesterday and placed the operator under arrest under the prohibition law.

Particulars of the raid could not be obtained before this paper went to press.

Suffice it to say that saloonmen should be very careful for the time being because they don't know the minute the raiders may drop in.

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File No. 2003-1167

The following person is doing business as One Step Enterprises, 2968 Shasta Way, West Sacramento CA 95691:

Eric Bisellach, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 18, 2003.

/s/Eric Bisellach

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Filed Dec 12, 2003
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The following person is doing business as El Rincon de Michoacan, 900 Jefferson Blvd #130, W. Sac. CA 95691

Maribell Macias, 876 Rancho Roble Way, Sacramento CA 95834.

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The following person is doing business as Boulevard Interiors, 2935 Ramco Street, Suite 20, West Sacramento CA 95691:

Brenda Crum, same address.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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The following person is doing business as All Seasons Limousine, 2435 West Capitol Ave. #B, West Sacramento CA 95691:

Terresa R. Simmons, same address.

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/s/Terresa R. Simmons

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE STATE OF YOLO
In the Matter of LESARA SUSANA LAVALLE CARLOS LAVALLE,
Minor
NO: JV-02-0106, JV-02-0105
CITATION

TO: Jimmy Lavalle and all Persons claiming to be the father of the above named minor:

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR at a hearing in Yolo County Juvenile Court, located at 725 Court Street, Woodland, California, 95695, on March 10, 2004 at 10:30 A.M. in Department 4. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to permanently terminate your parental rights over the above-named minor born to Christina Ramirez on 12/6/2000. If you wish to be represented by an attorney and are unable to afford one, the Court will appoint an attorney to represent you.

Dated: 12/19/03
/s/Donna M. Petre
Judge of the Juvenile Court

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A joy that's shared is a joy made double.
—John Ray

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The fruits of humility are love and peace.
—Hebrew proverb

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Life's more amusing than we thought.
—Andrew Lang

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Dec. 26, 2003
File No. 2003-1181

The following person is doing business as K.T.X. Kangoora Trucking Express, 8167 Alpine Ave. Suite B, Sacramento CA 95826:

Sarabjit Singh, 2141 Oakmont Way, W. Sac CA 95691.

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/s/Sarabjit Singh

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LETTERS from page seven

Next I learned he was an Arkansas Rhodes Scholar supported by the Clintons. It finally dawned on me that I was witnessing a honest-to-goodness grassroots campaign spring up around me. In short, I'll always love Dick Gephardt, but Wesley Clark is the man who can take back the White House.

King George has used his first term to prove what so many feared when he was illegally ordained by the Supreme Court. He does not have the intelligence, vision or temperament to lead the world. He is a puppet on a string and I shudder to think what his greedy corporate advisers (i.e., John Ashcroft with that spooky self-righteous Ken Starr glint in his eyes) would do to our country if given another four years. It's time to cut Bush loose and reinstate the Constitution. Oh happy day!

HOPE HERR
West Sacramento

Budget deficit was caused by phony energy crisis

The latest budget proposal by Gov. Schwarzenegger ignores the biggest cause of California's $38 billion deficit: Directly or indirectly, probably over 90% of this deficit was caused by the Enron/Ken Lay post-2000 election's sudden energy shortages, in turn leading to much higher per unit, long term costs, forcing former Gov. Davis to sign contracts to protect us from still higher costs.

So, with Enron bankrupt and Ken Lay (a strong Geo. W. Bush financial supporter) refusing to testify on grounds that he might incriminate himself, will Bush pardon him and let him retain all of his ill-gotten gains? Our Justice Department should answer this question and decide how much of Mr. Lay's riches (and California's deficit) was caused by the phony shortage.

WILLIAM A. LOWELL
West Sacramento

Fire truck history

In your January 7 issue, you had a letter by Mr. Jim Derr regarding your Nov. 26 article on the fire engine known as "Old Mary." While the authenticity of today's "Old Mary" is difficult to prove, there are some documents we have on file. The photograph and news clipping (both forwarded to the News-Ledger) are of the 1933 community-built fire truck. This might be the truck to which Mr. Derr is referring. This truck was built by the volunteer West Sacramento Fire Department, at no cost to the district. It ha the capacity of pumping 140 gallons per minute, and had a 240-gallon water tank. The engine cowling and chassis to look like a Model T. To my knowledge, no other records or images remain on file.

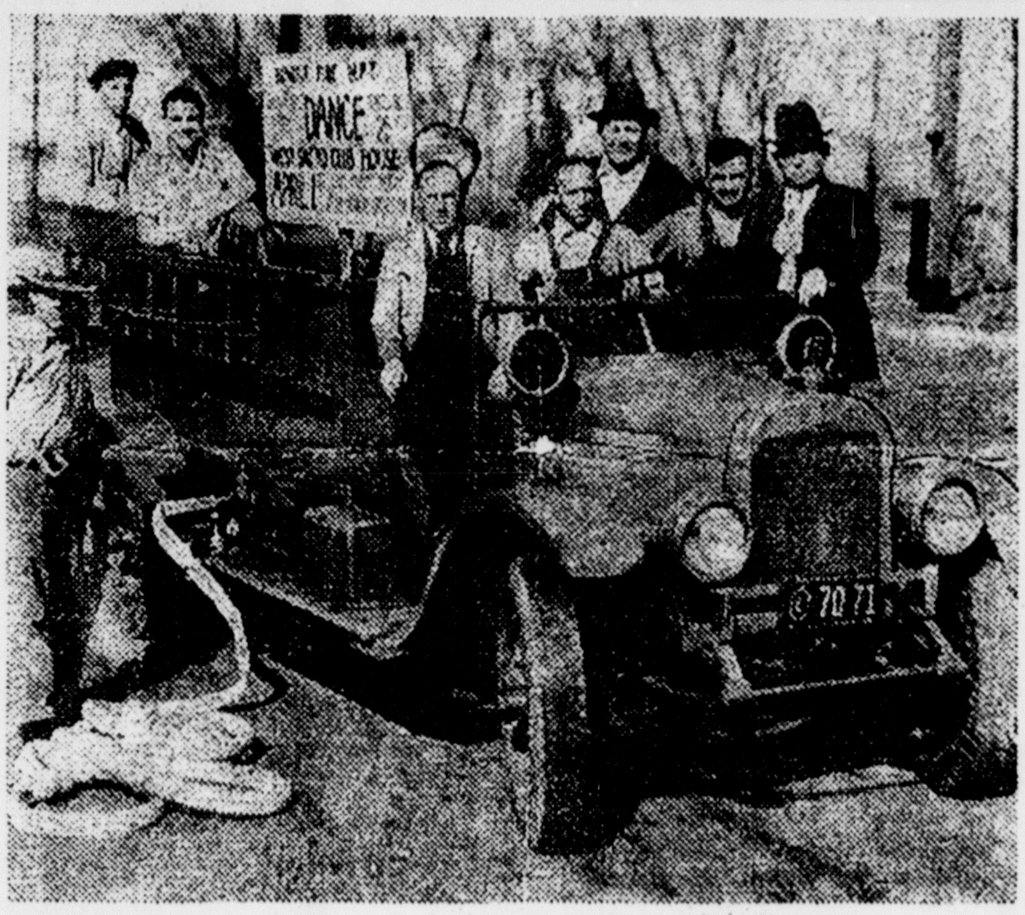
The fire engine pictured in your Nov. 26 edition is a 1927 Federal with a Dodge Brothers engine. This second-hand truck was purchased in 1933 from donations raised by the volunteer fire department. It pumped 300 gallons and had a 150-gallon tank capacity.

While this truck is being worked on at Sierra Hart Automotive, it does reveal some interesting features. First, it's obvious that this truck, when purchased, came with the minimal essentials (engine, tires, seats and bare chassis). The hood had been extended to fit the engine housing. Through our records and oral history, we've recorded that a fire engine was built using scrap material from the Southern Pacific (SP) Railroad. The materials and methods of construction prove this, but that is the only documentation available that links the SP story. The overall wheelbase is longer than the 1933 truck, and other components reveal their dissimilar features.

Which one of these trucks is "Old Mary" is a mystery. If anyone has additional documentation to both of these engines, we would appreciate your input. You can send your documented copies to the West Sacramento Historical Society, PO Box 1202, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

THOM LEWIS
President
West Sac. Historical Society

Firemen Build Engine 1933



ABOVE is a community fire truck built by the members of the West Sacramento volunteer fire department without any direct cost to the district. Part of the crew is seen in the photo. They are, left to right, V. L. Dick, Carl Effenberger, P. Venesio, E. C. Hughes, chief; M. Reynolds, George Isbell, Joe Feher, and George Z. Walt. The truck is equipped with a pump having a capacity of 140 gallons per minute and a pressure of 175 pounds. A suction hose on the truck enables the pumping of water from irrigation ditches and wells. Other equipment includes a 240-gallon water tank, fire extinguishers and ladders. The fire crew is giving a public dance to-night at the West Sacramento Clubhouse to pay for some of the equipment.

ABOVE: Newspaper clipping (from unnamed source, possibly a 1933 issue of the now-defunct Sacramento Union) submitted with the letter from Thom Lewis at left. Among the pictured is the late Joseph Feher, fire commissioner and father of the founder of the News-Ledger, the late Julius Feher.

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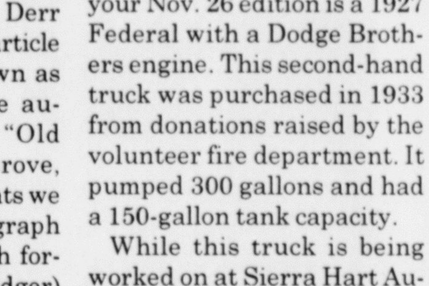
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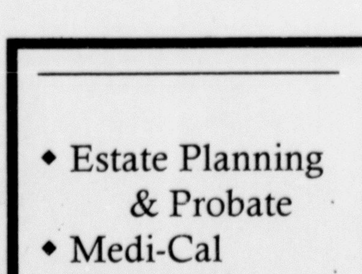
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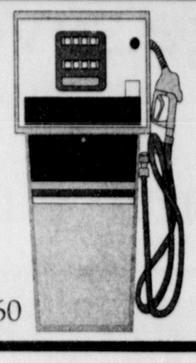
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Local Scene

Book sale

A book sale sponsored by the East Yolo Friends of the Library will be held Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 17-18, at the Arthur F. Turner Branch Library, 1212 Merkley Ave. in West Sacramento. Saturday's sale hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday's will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds from the sale benefit library programs. Donations of clean, gently used books, magazines and audio visual materials are accepted at the library year-round.

Nutritionist visits

The Friends of the Library will host Bronwyn Schwiegerdt, professor and author of "The Undiet," at the Arthur F. Turner Branch Library at 2 p.m. on Jan. 24. She will discuss how small but effective diet changes can add up to significant weight loss over time. No charge. Door prize. Call 371-7559 after 5 p.m. for more information.

History society

The next meeting of the West Sacramento Historical Society will take place at the community room of the Turner branch library, 1212 Merkley Ave., from 6-8 p.m. on Tues., Jan. 20. The public is welcome.

Recycle a tree

Retired Christmas trees can be recycled at the curbside in West Sacramento or taken to River City Green Waste and Recycling at 2895 Industrial Blvd. for free drop-off. Also, don't forget that wrapping paper, shirt boxes, holiday cards, cardboard products and other paper products may go in your curbside recycling container. Please flatten boxes to save space.

Golden Years Club

The Golden Years Club of West Sacramento will host a pot luck dinner at the VFW Hall, 905 Drever St., on Tues., Jan. 20 at 6 p.m. Please bring your own service. The club serves those age 50 and over. For membership information, call 371-8479 or 371-8126.

Little League

West Saacramento Little League will hold registration for players age 5-15 on Sat., Jan. 17, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Wed., Jan. 14, from 6-8 p.m. at Sidewalk Pizza, 1301 Merkley Ave.; and on Sat., Jan. 24, from 9-11 a.m. at Memorial Park. Tryouts will be held at Memorial Park on Feb. 7 & 14 (a late fee will apply to those who register at the tryouts). Call 396-2609 for more information.

Casino trip

The Golden Years Club will schedule a bus trip to Colusa Indian Casino on Thurs., Feb. 5, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is $14, with a casino rebate of $10. For more information, call 371-8799. Bus departs from the VFW/River Cities Funeral Chapel parking lot. For a reservation, send your $14 check to "Golden Years Club" to Bea Clarke, 1191 Delaware St., West Sacramento CA 95691 before Feb. 3. Non-club members welcome.

Travel!

The West Sacramento Senior Center is arranging several travel tours. A nine-day trip to Tuscany departs Feb. 16 and includes 13 meals; a "Branson musical getaway" leaves for five days in Missouri on May 10; and an eight-day trip to the Canadian Rockies departs October 4. For further information on itinerary and cost, contact Jeff El-bdour, 373-5819.

Free trees

Five free crapemyrtle trees will be given to anyone who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during January. The 6-12 inch trees will be shipped between February and May, at the right time for planting, with instructions. Send a $10 contribution to FIVE CRAPEMYRTLES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, before Jan. 31.

Diabetes support

CommuniCare Health Centers will host a diabetes support group (English-speaking) on Thursday, Jan. 15, from 10 a.m. to noon at Salud Clinic, 500B Jefferson Blvd., #180. No cost; intended for those with diabetes as well as friends, family members and others interested in diabetes. For more information, call 375-6400.

'55 Alive'

The AARP's "55 Alive" safe driving program for seniors will come to the West Sacramento Senior Center on Jan. 22-23 from noon to 4 p.m. Fee is $10. Space is limited. Call 373-5819 to reserve a spot.

Student competition

The Sacramento River Watershed Program and River of Words environmental art and poetry program are sponsoring a poetry and art competition for students. All kindergarten through 12th grade students in the 27,000 square mile Sacramento River watershed are invited to enter. To download an application form, visit www.riverofwords.org. Postmark deadline for entries is Feb. 15.

Suicide prevention

The Suicide Prevention Crisis Line is accepting applications for volunteer service on the crisis line. Training is provided. Call (530) 756-7542 for more information. Training begins Feb. 17.

Farm water issues

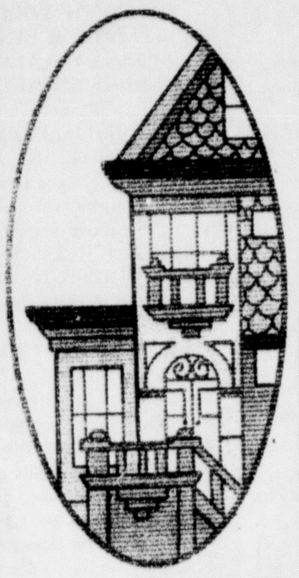
The Yolo County Resource Conservation District will hold a free workshop on water quality sampling and monitoring of other natural resources on farmland on Thursday, Jan. 22, from 9-11 a.m. at the intersection of Union School Road and C.R. 96 (which is between C.R. 27 & 29). If the weather is stormy, the location will change to Norton Hall, 70 Cottonwood St. in Woodland (call to confirm if questionable). For more information, call (530) 662-2037 ext. 119.

Children's summit

A Yolo County Children's Summit will be held at UC Davis on Jan. 23 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. to discuss the findings of the county Children's Portfolio and set priorities for future children's programs throughout the county. Representatives will influence how Proposition 10 money is allocated for programs. For more information, contact the Yolo County Children's Alliance. Registration is $25. Call (530) 757-5558.

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Storytime for kids at Turner library

Does your child enjoy listening to stories at bedtime? Does your child like activities? Well, your preschooler can now enjoy both things at once. Yolo County Library, Arthur F. Turner Branch is offering the Winter Session of storytime beginning on Tuesday, January 20th at 11:30 a.m. and on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Watch your child enjoy the stories, activities and materials you can check out for them.

The 30-minute session is for children 3-5 years of age. The library is located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. For more information, please call 375-6465.

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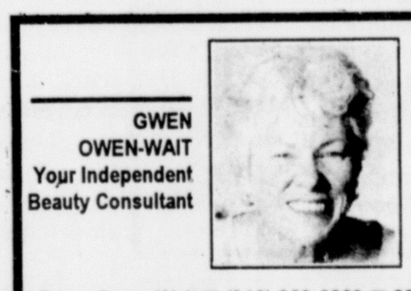


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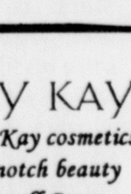
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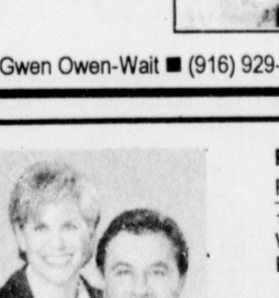


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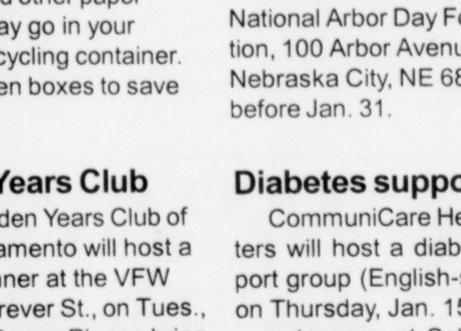
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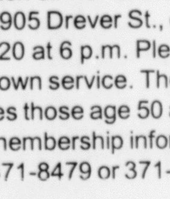


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Answers to Sports Quiz (p. 3) & Puzzles (p. 8)

Answers

1. Sammy Sosa with nine (1995-2003).
2. Andre Dawson with 225.
3. Brian Bosworth of Oklahoma (1985 and 1986).
4. Jerry Lucas.
5. Mark Messier of the New York Rangers is in his 25th NHL season.
6. Steve Janaszak.
7. Johnny Miller.

Rational Numbers *answers*

5	7	2	■	1	9
6	■	4	3	■	5
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■	1	2	9	8	■
7	7	7	■	2	5
3	■	5	5	■	5
3	1	■	7	3	0

Differences: 1. Nightgown is striped. 2. Hat is different. 3. Spots on bushes are gone. 4. Light is missing. 5. Window is different. 6. Briefcase is different.



